

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. A motorized window covering, comprising:
- a remote control unit;
  - a transmitter within the remote control unit;
  - an actuator coupled to the window covering;
  - a receiver within the actuator, the receiver receiving at least one signal from the transmitter;
  - a wake-up signal amplifier electrically connected to the receiver;
  - and
  - a data signal amplifier electrically connected to the receiver.
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2. The motorized window covering of Claim 1, wherein at least one wake-up signal is transmitted by the transmitter and received by the receiver.
3. The motorized window covering of Claim 2, wherein at least one data signal is transmitted by the transmitter and received by the receiver.
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4. The motorized window covering of Claim 3, wherein the wake-up signal amplifier is energized continuously.
5. The motorized window covering of Claim 4, wherein the data-signal amplifier is de-energized until the wake up signal is received at the receiver.
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6. The motorized window covering of Claim 5, wherein the data-signal amplifier is de-energized if the data signal is not received at the receiver within a predetermined time period.
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7. A method for controlling a motorized window covering, comprising the acts of:

deactivating a data signal amplifier;  
 activating a wake-up signal amplifier; and  
 activating the data signal amplifier only in response to a wake-up  
 signal being received by the wake-up signal amplifier.

8. The method of Claim 7, further comprising the act of:  
 when a data signal is received at the data signal amplifier, operating the motorized  
 window covering in response thereto.

9. The method of Claim 8, further comprising the act of:  
 if a data signal is not received within a predetermined time period, deactivating  
 the data signal amplifier.

10. The method of Claim 7, wherein the wake-up signal is generated by a remote  
 control unit.

11. The method of Claim 8, wherein the data signal is generated by a remote control  
 unit.

12. A system for controlling a motorized window covering, comprising:  
 an actuator mechanically coupled to an operator of the window  
 covering;  
 a receiver within the actuator;  
 a wake-up signal amplifier electrically connected to the receiver;  
 a data signal amplifier electrically connected to the receiver; and  
 a processor within the actuator, the processor including a program  
 for controlling the actuator in response to at least one wake-up signal and  
 at least one data signal being received by the receiver.

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13. The system of Claim 12, wherein the program includes:  
means for deactivating a data signal amplifier;  
means for activating a wake-up signal amplifier; and  
means for activating the data signal amplifier only in response to a wake-up signal  
being received by the wake-up signal amplifier.

14. The system of Claim 13, wherein the program further includes:  
means for operating the motorized window covering in response to the data signal  
being received by the receiver.

15. The system of Claim 14, wherein the program further includes:  
means for deactivating the data signal amplifier if a data signal is not received  
within a predetermined time period.

16. The system of Claim 12, further comprising:  
means for generating the wake-up signal.

17. The system of Claim 12, further comprising:  
means for generating the data signal.

18. The system of Claim 12, further comprising a head rail supporting a motor of the  
actuator and holding at least one battery electrically connected to the motor.

19. The system of Claim 18, wherein the at least one battery is an alkaline or Lithium  
battery.

20. The system of Claim 18, wherein the at least one battery is the sole source of  
power for the motor.